

Remarks

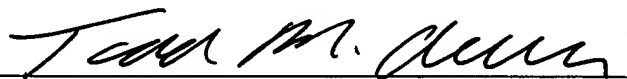
In response to the Communication dated September 28, 2005, this action supplements Applicant's previous Response (dated June 17, 2005) to the previous office action (dated June 2, 2005).

As noted in Applicant's previous Response, pursuant to the Examiner's requirement, Applicant hereby elects the invention of Group I, Claims 1-8 and 33-37, for prosecution in this case at this time. Applicant confirms that claim 54 links invention Group 1, and therefore, is entitled to examination at this time (MPEP § 809), and that all claims dependent thereon shall be examined in the event this linking claim is allowed. Additionally, any non-examined claims are reserved for filing in future applications.

Applicant confirms that this election is made without traverse.

Applicant has cancelled non-elected claims 9-32 and 38-53. Pursuant to a teleconference with the Examiner, claims 55-58 cannot be cancelled because they are dependent on linking claim 54, and have therefore been withdrawn.

Respectfully submitted,



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